

Amendments To The Claims

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing Of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A process comprising ~~Process for~~ manufacturing a flexible packaging material from a single or multi-layer film or film-type laminate (7) containing a sealing layer (14), that is a hot-sealing layer, deposited on at least one free surface of the film or film-type laminate (7), in said manufacturing there is the step of depositing ~~characterized in that,~~ the sealing layer (14) ~~is deposited~~ locally, on the areas to be sealed, performing ~~and~~ the local deposition ~~is performed~~ using an electrostatic coating process in which coating particles, that are composed of a hot-sealing adhesive that can be thermally activated, are electrostatically charged and transferred to the film surface to be coated using transfer means by applying an electric field, ~~and melted~~ to give a coating film in the form of a coating ~~later~~ layer, and subsequently ~~solidified.~~ solidified, the adhesive properties thereof being reactivated upon heating during subsequent sealing operation.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the sealing layer is deposited on the film or film-type laminate using a process employing EMB technology (Electro-Magnetic-Brush Technology) and two-component ~~deposition~~ developer system.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the sealing layer (14) is deposited on the film or film-type laminate by means of an electrophotographic process.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the coating particles of the sealing layer (14) are in the form of dry particles, ~~in particular powder particles.~~

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the coating particles of the sealing layers (14) are in the form of a powder lacquer, ~~in particular a thermoplastic powder lacquer.~~

Claim 6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the coating particles of the sealing layer (14) are deposited using electronic data processing means, forming on the film or film-type laminate (7) a pattern of the areas to be sealed.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the thickness of the sealing layer (14) ~~to be deposited~~ is monitored and/or regulated by means for electronic data processing during deposition of the sealing layer.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the deposition of the sealing layer takes place in-line and continuously at a sealing station (4) in a film production line (10).

Claims 10 to 16 (Canceled).

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): A process comprising utilizing ~~Use of the~~ film type laminate (7), manufactured by the process according to claim 1, for manufacturing the manufacture of a sealable forms ~~form~~ of packaging, in particular ~~pouch-type forms of packaging such as flat pouches, flat bottom bags standing pouches, small bags, cushion tube packs, bags, sacks, supports for goods, boxes, base parts for push-through packs, blister packs, lid materials for containers or supports for goods.~~

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the sealing layer (14) is deposited on the film or film-type laminate by means of an electrophotographic process.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the coating particles of the sealing layer (14) are in the form of dry particles, ~~in particular powder particles.~~

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the sealing layer (14) is a hot-sealing layer.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 6, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the coating particles of the sealing layer (14) are deposited using electronic data processing means, forming on the film or film-like laminate (7) a pattern of the areas to be sealed.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 7, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the thickness of the sealing layer (14) ~~to be deposited~~ is monitored and/or regulated by means for electronic data processing during deposition of the sealing layer.

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): The process ~~Process~~ according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the deposition of the sealing layer takes place in line and continuously at a sealing station (4) in a film production line (10).

Claim 24 to 29 (Canceled).

Claim 30 (New): The process according to claim 4, wherein said coating particles are in the form of dry powder particles.

Claim 31 (New): The process according to claim 19, wherein said coating particles are in the form of dry powder particles.

Claim 32 (New): The process according to claim 5, wherein said coating particles are in the form of a thermoplastic powder lacquer.

Claim 33 (New): The process according to claim 19, wherein said coating particles are in the form of a thermoplastic powder lacquer.

Claim 34 (New): The process according to claim 17, wherein said sealable form of packaging is selected from the group consisting of a pouch-type form of packaging, a flat bottom bag standing pouch, a small bag, a cushion-tube pack, a bag, a sack, a support for goods, a box, a base part for push-through packs, a blister pack, and a lid material for containers or supports for goods.

Claim 35 (New): The process according to claim 1 wherein the coating particles contain an additive that enables the coating particles to be highly electrostatically charged by means of friction.

Claim 36 (New): The process according to claim 6, wherein the hot-sealing layer is selected from the group consisting of polyolefin-based polymers

or copolymers, acrylates, methacrylates, vinylchloride, vinylidenechloride, vinylacetate, polyamide, polyesters, polyurethanes, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 37 (New): The process according to claim 1, wherein the coating particles are powder particles or powder lacquer particles, after being coated on the film or the film-type laminate, are heated to 70 to 80 °C, and then melted in a heating unit.

Claim 38 (New): The process according to claim 37, wherein the heating unit is an infrared radiation heating unit, a near infrared radiation heating unit, or heated rolls.

Claim 39 (New): The process according to claim 1, wherein coated sealing layer has a thickness of 7 to 100 μm .

Claim 40 (New): The process according to claim 2, wherein the two components in the two-component developer system are ferromagnetic particles and the coating particles.